

Practitioner's Docket No. 112/002/CON1**PATENT****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Light, Elizabeth S.

Application No.: 09/863,125

Group No.: 1634

Filed: 05/22/2001

Examiner: Chakrabarti, A.

For: Method of Detecting Single-Gene Copies *in situ***Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231****PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. section 1.136(a))**

1. This is a petition for an extension of the time for a total period of two months to reply to an Office Action mailed on November 20, 2002.
2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.
3. Applicant is other than a small entity.
4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. section 1.17(a)(1)-(5)):

Extension:
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\$410.00**Fee \$410.00**

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

Extension fee due with this request \$ 410.00

5. Extended period for response

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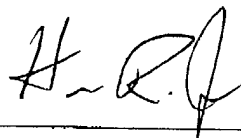
6. Fee Payment

Charge fee to Account No. 50-0861. This is a request to charge for any additional extension and/or fee required or credit for any excess fee paid.

A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Date:

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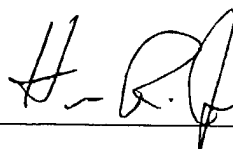
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